

✓ 35. (Once Amended) An apparatus according to claim 34,  
wherein a surface of said scanner on which said reading element is provided faces  
toward said [base] an image forming apparatus in a case where said scanner is mounted on  
said [base] an image forming apparatus, so that a sheet transporting path is defined by a  
surface of said [base] an image forming apparatus which faces to said surface of said scanner,  
and said surface of said scanner.

36. (Once Amended) An apparatus according to claim 34, wherein said [base] an  
image forming apparatus is a printer.

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transporting path is formed substantially vertically to allow said reading element to read said  
sheet in a case where said scanner is mounted on said [base] an image forming apparatus,  
said [base] an image forming apparatus includes a second sheet transporting path extending  
substantially vertically, said [base] an image forming apparatus performing a processing for  
a sheet travelling along said second sheet transporting path, and said first sheet transporting  
path being arranged along said second sheet transporting path.

38. (Once Amended) An apparatus according to claim 34, wherein a projecting  
member is provided in a manner projecting at a side of said surface for protecting said roller  
in a case where said scanner is detached from said [base] an image forming apparatus for use.

39. (Once Amended) An apparatus, comprising:

a [base] an image forming apparatus; and

a scanner which is removably mounted on said [base] an image forming apparatus and includes a reading element and motor,

wherein, said motor causes a sheet to be transported in a case where said scanner is mounted on said [base] an image forming apparatus, so that said reading element reads the sheet, said motor causes said scanner to travel in a case where said scanner is detached from said [base] an image forming apparatus for use, so that said reading element reads the sheet.

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✓ 40. (Once Amended) An apparatus according to claim 39,

wherein a surface of said scanner on which said reading element is provided faces to said [base] an image forming apparatus in a case where said scanner is mounted on said [base] an image forming apparatus, so that a sheet transporting path is defined by a surface of said [base] an image forming apparatus which faces to said surface of said scanner, and said surface of said scanner.

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41. (Once Amended) An apparatus according to claim 39, wherein said [base] an image forming apparatus is a printer

42. (Once Amended) A scanner which is capable of being removably mounted on a [base] an image forming apparatus, said scanner comprising:

reading element;

motor; and

roller driven by said motor,

wherein said motor drives said roller and thereby transports a sheet in a case where said scanner is mounted on said [base] an image forming apparatus, so that said reading element reads the sheet, and said motor drives said roller and thereby causes said scanner to travel in a case where said scanner is detached from said [base] an image forming apparatus for use, so that said reading element reads a sheet.

✓ 43. (Once Amended) A scanner according to claim 42,

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wherein a surface of said scanner on which said reading element is provided faces to said [base] an image forming apparatus in a case where said scanner is mounted on said [base] an image forming apparatus, so that a sheet transporting path is defined by a surface of said [base] an image forming apparatus which faces toward said surface of said scanner, and said surface of said scanner.

44. (Once Amended) A scanner according to claim 43,

wherein said scanner can be attached to and detached from said [base] an image forming apparatus, said [base] an image forming apparatus being a printer.

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45. (Once Amended) A scanner according to claim 43,

wherein a projecting member is provided in a manner projecting at a side of said surface for protecting said roller in a case where said scanner is detached from said [base] an image forming apparatus for use.

46. (Once Amended) A scanner which is capable of being removably mounted on [a base] an image forming apparatus, said scanner comprising:

reading element; and

a motor,

wherein said motor causes a sheet to be transported in a case where said scanner is mounted on said [base] an image forming apparatus, so that said reading element reads the sheet, and said motor causes said scanner to travel in a case where said scanner is detached from said [base] an image forming apparatus for use, so that said reading element reads a sheet.

47. (Once Amended) A scanner according to claim 46,

wherein a surface of said scanner on which said reading element is provided faces to said [base] an image forming apparatus in a case where said scanner is mounted on said [base] an image forming apparatus, so that a sheet transporting path is defined by a surface of said [base] an image forming apparatus which faces to said surface of said scanner, and said surface of said scanner.

48. (Once Amended) A scanner according to claim 46,

wherein said scanner can be attached to and detached from said [base] an image forming apparatus, said [base] an image forming apparatus being a printer.

49. (Once Amended) An apparatus comprising:

[a base unit] an image forming apparatus including a [document] sheet accommodating part accommodating a plurality of [document] sheets; and

a scanner apparatus including a reading element and a roller, being removably mounted on said [base unit] an image forming apparatus, reading by said reading element a [document] sheet which is delivered from said [document] sheet accommodating part by said roller in a case where said scanner is mounted on said [base unit] an image forming apparatus, and reading by said reading element said [document] sheet while said roller is rotated in contact with a surface of said [document] sheet which is read by said reading element in a case where said scanner is detached from said [base unit] an image forming apparatus.

50. (Once Amended) An apparatus according to claim 49,

wherein said roller of said scanner apparatus and a [document] sheet reading surface of said reading element are provided at a same side of said scanner apparatus, and a surface of said scanner apparatus on which said roller and said [document] sheet reading surface of said reading element are provided constitutes a part of a [document] sheet guide guiding said [document] sheet delivered from said [document] sheet accommodating part in a case where said scanner is mounted on said [base unit] an image forming apparatus.

51. (Once Amended) An apparatus according to claim 49,  
wherein said roller of said scanner apparatus is a pick roller, and said apparatus has  
a [document] sheet separating member faced to said pick roller of said scanner apparatus in  
a case where said scanner apparatus is mounted on said [base unit] an image forming  
apparatus.

52. (Once Amended) An apparatus, comprising:  
[a first] an unit including a motor, a roller driven by said motor and a processing unit  
performing processing for a sheet; and  
[a second unit] an image forming apparatus on which said [first] unit is removably  
mounted,

wherein said motor drives said roller and thereby transportsaid sheet in a case where  
said [first] unit is mounted on said [second unit] image forming apparatus, so that said  
processing unit performs processing for a sheet, and said motor drives said roller and thereby  
causes said [first] unit to travel in a case where said [first] unit is detached from said [second  
unit] image forming apparatus for use, so that said processing unit performs processing for  
a sheet.

53. (Once Amended) An apparatus, comprising:  
a first unit including a motor and a processing unit performing processing for a sheet;  
and  
a second unit on which said first unit is removably mounted.

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~~wherein said motor causes the sheet to be transported in a case where said first unit is mounted on said second unit, so that said processing unit performs processing for a sheet, and said motor causes said first unit to travel in a case where said first unit is detached from said [base] an image forming apparatus for use, so that said processing unit performs processing for a sheet.~~

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54. (Once Amended) A first unit which is capable of being removably mounted on a second unit, said first unit comprising:

processing unit performing processing for a sheet;  
a motor; and

a roller, wherein said motor drives said roller and thereby transport the sheet in a case where said first unit is mounted on said second unit, so that said processing unit performs processing for a sheet, and said motor drives said roller and thereby causes said first unit to travel in a case where said first unit is detached from said second unit for use, so that said processing unit performs processing for a sheet.

55. (Once Amended) A first unit which is capable of being removably mounted on a second unit, said first unit comprising:

processing unit performing processing for a sheet; and  
a motor,

wherein said motor causes said sheet to be transported in a case where said first unit is mounted on said second unit, so that said processing unit performs processing for a sheet, and said motor causes said first unit to travel in a case where said first unit is detached from said second unit for use, so that said processing unit performs processing for a sheet.

Please add the following new claims:

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56. An apparatus comprising: a base unit including a sheet accommodating part accommodating a plurality of sheets; and a scanner apparatus including a reading element and a roller, being removably mounted on said an image forming apparatus unit, reading by said reading element a sheet which is delivered from said sheet accommodating part by said roller in a case where said scanner is mounted on said base unit, and reading by said reading element said sheet while said roller travels said scanner in a case where said scanner is detached from said base unit.

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57. An apparatus according to claim 56, wherein the sheet accommodating part accommodates said plurality of sheets in a incline direction.

58. An apparatus according to claim 56, wherein a surface of said scanner on which said reading element is provided faces to said base in a case where said scanner is mounted on said base, so that a sheet transporting path is defined by a surface of said base which faces to said surface of said scanner, and said surface of said scanner.



59. An apparatus according to claim 56, wherein a first sheet transporting path is formed substantially vertically to allow said reading element to read said sheet in a case where said scanner is mounted on said base, said base includes a second sheet transporting path extending substantially vertically, said base performs a processing for a sheet travelling along said second sheet transporting path, and said first sheet transporting path being arranged along said second sheet transporting path.

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60. An apparatus according to claim 56, wherein said scanner has a motor and said motor drives said roller and thereby transport a sheet in a case where said scanner is mounted on said base unit, so that said reading element reads the sheet, and said motor drives said roller and thereby causes said scanner to travel in a case where said scanner is detached from said base unit, so that said reading element reads a sheet.

61. An apparatus according to claim 56, wherein a projecting member is provided in a manner projecting at a side of said surface for protecting said roller in a case where said scanner is detached from said base unit for use.

62. An apparatus according to claim 56, wherein said roller of said scanner apparatus and a sheet reading surface of said reading element are provided at a same side of said scanner apparatus, and a surface of said scanner apparatus on which said roller and said sheet reading surface of said reading element are provided constitutes a part of a sheet guide guiding said sheet delivered from said sheet accommodating part in a case where said

scanner is mounted on said base unit.

63. An apparatus according to claim 56, wherein said roller of said scanner apparatus is a pick roller, and said apparatus has a sheet separating member faced to said pick roller of said scanner apparatus in a case where said scanner apparatus is mounted on said base unit.

64. An apparatus according to claim 56, wherein said base unit is an image forming apparatus.

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65. A scanner apparatus comprising; a reading element and; a roller; wherein said scanner is removably mounted on a base unit including a sheet accommodating part accommodating a plurality of sheets and reads by said reading element a sheet which is delivered from said sheet accommodating part by said roller in a case where said scanner is mounted on said base unit, and reads by said reading element said sheet while said roller travel said scanner in a case where said scanner is detached from said base unit.

66. A scanner according to claim 65, wherein the sheet accommodating part accommodates said plurality of sheets in a incline direction.

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67. A scanner according to claim 65, wherein a surface of said scanner on which said reading element is provided faces to said base in a case where said scanner is mounted on said base, so that a sheet transporting path is defined by a surface of said base which faces

to said surface of said scanner, and said surface of said scanner.

68. A scanner according to claim 65, wherein a first sheet transporting path is formed substantially vertically to allow said reading element to read said sheet in a case where said scanner is mounted on said base, said base includes a second sheet transporting path extending substantially vertically, said base performs a processing for a sheet traveling along said second sheet transporting path, and said first sheet transporting path being arranged along said second sheet transporting path.

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69. A scanner according to claim 65, wherein said scanner has a motor and said motor drives said roller and thereby transport a sheet in a case where said scanner is mounted on said base unit, so that said reading element reads the sheet, and said motor drives said roller and thereby causes said scanner to travel in a case where said scanner is detached from said base unit, so that said reading element reads a sheet.

70. A scanner apparatus according to claim 65, wherein a projecting member is provided in a manner projecting at a side of said surface for protecting said roller in a case where said scanner is detached from said base unit for use.

71. A scanner apparatus according to claim 65, wherein said roller of said scanner apparatus and a sheet reading surface of said reading element are provided at a same side of said scanner apparatus, and a surface of said scanner apparatus on which said roller and said